

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1457
By Dunn

RESOLUTION to recognize and commend Lance Frizzell for meritorious service to the Tennessee Legislature.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative Body should honor those citizens who, in their years of work, have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Lance Frizzell is one such estimable person who has served the Tennessee State Legislature with distinction for the past seven years; and

WHEREAS, Lance Frizzell is leaving his position as Press Secretary for the House Republican Caucus, which he has held since 2003, to serve as the Communications Director for the Jim Bryson for Governor campaign; and

WHEREAS, before serving as Press Secretary, Mr. Frizzell was Political Director for the Tennessee Republican Party from 2001 to 2002, and was Legislative Director for the Tennessee Republican Party from 1999 to 2000; and

WHEREAS, Lance Frizzell was born in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, to Bruce and Adeline Frizzell, on March 5, 1970; his parents and his brothers, Derk and Eben, have been strong supporters of Mr. Frizzell's academic and professional goals and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, Lance Frizzell earned his bachelor's degree in History from Middle Tennessee State University; he received his master's degree in Mass Communications in 2000; and

WHEREAS, a true patriot, Lance Frizzell has served in the Tennessee Army National Guard since 2000. He participated with courage and distinction from June of 2004 to November of 2005 in Operation Iraqi Freedom III as a Medical Platoon Leader for the 278th Regimental Combat Team in Jalula, Iraq; and

WHEREAS, Lance Frizzell is also a talented musician who played guitar in a band that was featured in the 1995 season of *Star Search*; in 2000, he appeared on the USA Network's *Jimmy and Doug's Farmclub* show with multi-platinum bands Creed and Godsmack; and

WHEREAS, in a bid to continue serving the citizens of Tennessee, Lance Frizzell intends to run for Republican State Executive Committee, District 16, in the August 3, 2006, election; and

WHEREAS, his academic and professional accomplishments notwithstanding, Mr. Frizzell is most thankful for the love and encouragement of his wife, Jessica Leah Parsons, whom he married on January 10, 2004, and with whom he resides in Murfreesboro; together the Frizzell's have a remarkable son, Andrew Smith, born February 15, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Lance Frizzell is an active and important part of his community and his profession, and his hard work, diligence, and dedication have not gone unnoticed by his peers, colleagues, friends, and family; and

WHEREAS, Lance Frizzell exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career with the Legislature, Lance Frizzell has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and all the members of this Body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Lance Frizzell our heartfelt gratitude for his meritorious service to the Tennessee State Legislature and the citizens of this great State, and offer our best wishes for every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.